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RE: Docket # 03-133

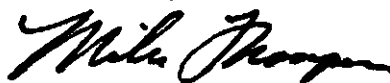
Dear Commissioners:

The Federal Communications Commission is currently considering regulatory changes in the pricing structure for use of calling cards issued by various vendors. These calling cards are currently used by a broad array of customer including students, elderly and less fortunate citizens who, in some cases, simply cannot afford telephones. And others find these cards less expensive than signing onto to a long distance calling program that requires a set monthly payment.

Indeed, when I travel I use a calling card where my cell phone coverage does not work, where the cell towers are inadequate or in hotels and motels to avoid the extraordinary costs of calling using that direct lines in my room. And this saves me a tremendous amount of money each year.

As you consider this potential change in the pricing structure for using calling cards, I request that whatever action you take does not increase the costs of the use of these convenient long distance calling cards. At a time when finding savings in your personal and business budgets is difficult, adding costs to the price of using calling cards would be unfortunate indeed.

Sincerely,



Michael W. Thompson

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